

BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA  
DOCKET NO. 95-890-C - ORDER NO. 95-1432  
AUGUST 14, 1995

IN RE: Fort Mill Telephone Company	) ORDER
Request for Approval of a 5.2%	) APPROVING
Depreciation Rate Involving Investment	) DEPRECIATION
in Telecommunication Towers.	) RATE

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the request of Fort Mill Telephone Company (Fort Mill) for approval of the establishment of a depreciation rate for its investment in telecommunications towers.


In its March 29, 1995 request, Fort Mill states that it requests authorization of a 5.2% depreciation rate, which has inadvertently been used since 1988. Fort Mill states that the rate approval for Rock Hill Telephone Company was inadvertently used for Fort Mill without applying for a separate Fort Mill rate.

The Commission's Executive Director required Fort Mill to Publish a Notice of Filing one time in newspapers of general circulation in the Company's service area. No Protests or Petitions to Intervene were received.

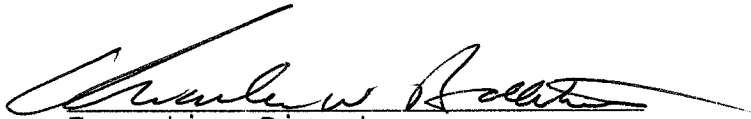
The Commission has examined this matter, and believes that the requested rate is reasonable under the circumstances and should be approved, since approval has no substantial consequences for Fort Mill's ratepayers. This Order shall remain in full force and

effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

  
Chairman

ATTEST:

  
Executive Director

(SEAL)